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Show Me the Money!

April is **Financial Literacy Month**. During this time, it is important for all types of libraries to introduce the skills for understanding and managing money. Even among children the unbalanced economy of “haves” and “have nots” is evident. Some families struggle to provide for the needs and others seem to have plenty of funds to purchase all of the wants for their children. Here are a few read-aloud stories to start the preschool crowd off right:

- ***An Apple for Dinner***, by Susan VanHecke
- ***One Potato, Two Potato***, by Cynthia DeFelice
- ***Alexander, Who Used to Be Rich Last Sunday***, by Judith Viorst
- ***Bunny Money***, by Rosemary Wells



The Internet offers a variety of financial literacy lessons for Kindergarten through 4th grade. Here are some that are free:

- [Free Training Tutorial: Financial Literacy for Kids](#). Organized by grade and topics such as budgeting, spending, earning, saving, assessing needs vs. wants, and avoiding scams.
- [Money Instructor: Counting Money](#). Lesson plans and activities about identifying, counting, and handling money. An easy registration process takes you to the free version which has lots of worksheets available.
- [Money Flashcards](#). On-screen groupings of currency and coins to add. Keeps track of how many you get right.

Teens and tweens know about enough about money to be interested in talking about getting it and spending it. Try one or two of these activities to spark their interest:

- [Money Poems](#). Share poems about money and then have the students write or record original money themed poems.
- [If I Had a Million Dollars...](#) Have students write essays about what they'd do with that much money. Give them time to find and cut pictures from magazines for a collage. Use their ideas to talk about the concepts of spending, saving, and sharing money.
- [Sneaky Advertising](#). Ask the students to explore the tricks marketers use to entice kids to buy “wants” or fad items. Make a large poster of tips for spotting advertising tricks, and display it for all to see.

Handling money is a critical life skill for all children. Spend some time this month helping kids discover the power of financial literacy.

(The April 2016 issue of **Library Sparks** is all about financial literacy and teaching personal finance. You may borrow it by contacting Kay at 1-800-569-4961.)

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Time to Vote!

The Golden Sower Award is the children's choice literary award for the state of Nebraska. It was founded in 1981 and has encouraged many students to read independently. Any librarian, school or public, may submit the eligible votes.

Children must read a minimum of four titles from one of the three categories to be eligible. Find the links to the ballots on [Facebook](#) or go to <http://www.goldensower.org/> by April 15, 2016, to make sure their votes count.

Library Building Walkabout Challenge

I want to challenge you regarding your library facility. How long has it been since you stepped back and really looked at your library with critical eyes? Most of us become so accustomed to a building's quirks and inconveniences that we forget what it looks like to a stranger. For a new library customer, the ease in accessing and using your building is probably as important as good service.

Is the library easy to find? Whether in a school facility or a public library in its own building, are there attractive directional signs? When I make an initial visit to a library, I do not look up the address but try to find it on my own. You would be surprised how difficult it can be to find some libraries – particularly if you are located in a facility originally designed for another purpose or one being used for a dual purpose.

Is the exterior painted (or maintained if it is brick) and is the landscaping attractive (and not overgrown). A shabby outside can turn people off from even going inside. Can you tell if the library is open from a car window or do you have to park and walk up to the door to find out?

Pretend you are a child or a person with a disability at the entrance to your library. Are there steep stairs? Is there a high hand railing? Are the doors too heavy to open easily? Do you have negative signage (everything says NO....) Try turning negatives to positives. Inside, do you have a water fountain and toilets that accommodate children/adults/those with disabilities.

What impressions does a newcomer receive when he/she steps into the library? Is it dark, gloomy and musty? Is the furniture massive? Is the loan desk the first thing they see when entering the library? Good lighting, light paint and attractive arrangement of furnishings can solve some of these problems.

Are there directional signs that people understand? Instead of using Dewey Decimal numbers on signs, try using category names; e.g. Religion instead of 200's. Are there printed directions on how to use the catalog? Where are public access computers?

These are just a few factors to consider when looking critically at your library facility. Many changes can be done inexpensively that will make the library more attractive to both newcomers and "regulars." Resolve now to create an attractive and usable library building!

Contributed by Sharon Osenga

Central Plains Library System
Abridged Board Meeting Minutes – January 25, 2016
 See the complete Board Minutes online at <http://libraries.ne.gov/cpls>
 Loup City Public Library

CALL TO ORDER

Jody Crocker, Board President, called the meeting to order at 10:10 AM.

ROLL CALL

Present: Dixie Codner, Jody Crocker, Judy Hagan, Kristi Hagstrom, Pat Hughes, Tim Johnson, Rochelle Krueger, Shawna Lindner, Debra Moninger

Absent: Robyn Johnston, Kathy Thomsen, Sky Seery

Also present: Audrey Heil, Terri Johnson, Denise Harders (CPLS Director), Sharon Osenga (CPLS Director), Richard Miller (NLC Rep)

Audrey Heil, Loup City Public Library Director, noted that she and Mary Ann Paider, School Media Specialist for Loup City Public Schools, were willing to offer a tour of the joint public/school library facility to any Board members who wished to see it after the board meeting. Audrey welcomed all to the school and the library.

Jody Crocker noted that Steve Fosselman, chair of the NLA Advocacy Committee, had requested time on the agenda to discuss the status of LB 969. She said that the discussion with Steve would take place via speaker phone. Following is a summary of that discussion:

- Steve noted that the hearing on LB 969 would take place on Monday, February 1, 2016 before the General Affairs Committee.
- He said that NLA and the Advocacy Committee later today would be pushing out a template that could be used by all to contact members of the General Affairs Committee. He noted that is the main target right now since that committee could stop the bill by not voting it out of committee. He said that anyone can write to a member of that committee even if their Senator is not a member.
- Steve said that the bill, as written, would affect municipal libraries in all classes of cities. All library boards would be advisory except for the selection of library materials.
- The concerns cited by Steve were for other policy areas currently handled by governing library boards – such as intellectual freedom, weeding, confidentiality of library records, equal access, long-range planning, personnel, financial procedures, staying on budget, etc.
- He said that NLA and others would make the case that there are other ways to figure this out, other than by introducing legislation to address these issues.

Following the conference call, Richard Miller distributed copies of LB 969 and reviewed the pertinent sections of the bill that had been addressed by Steve Fosselman.

The meeting then returned to the posted agenda.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Following minor changes, Tim Johnson moved, and Judy Hagan seconded their approval. Approved by all.

FINANCIAL REPORT

Sharon Osenga reported that the budget looks healthy, and that the System is under budget. She noted that most bills that are for annual payment (e.g., car insurance) have been paid for the year.

Pat Hughes moved, and Dixie Codner seconded the approval of the Financial Report. All voted “aye.”

CORRESPONDENCE – DENISE HARDERS AND SHARON OSENGA

Sharon reported thank-you notes from Megan Svoboda of Broken Bow Public Library and from Gail Irwin, Ainsworth Public Library.

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Denise received thank-you notes from Audrey Heil of Loup City Public Library, from Sky Seery, Mid-Plains Community College, North Platte, and from Terri Johnson of North Platte Public Library.

Denise also reported the correspondence from Robyn Johnston, Maywood Public Schools, indicating her resignation from the CPLS Board. She cited family medical reasons.

DIRECTORS' REPORTS

Denise Harders and Sharon Osenga gave detailed oral reports about their activities since the last CPLS Board Meeting.

OLD BUSINESS

Personnel duties – Executive Committee Report

Jody Crocker noted that invoices are now being sent with whatever work is done. Sharon said this is working fine.

NEW BUSINESS

Board Member replacement – Library Advocate

The Board needs a replacement in the library advocate category. Tim Johnson and Pat Hughes are current members in that category. Tony Anderson from Alma once expressed interest in being on the Board in that category. Jody said that current Board members should contact potentially interested parties, particularly someone in your respective area, and get those names to Denise and Sharon by March 31, 2016.

OTHER BUSINESS

Staff Evaluation: Jody Crocker explained that she had sent out staff evaluation forms to Board officers. She noted that staff evaluation will not be done again until next year. She asked what staff might do in order for the board to get to know them better. A suggestion was made for the board to go back to the condensed written report to the Board (for Board meetings and monthly). It was also suggested that if staff are in the vicinity of a board member, that staff stop in to see the board member. Staff need more exchange with Board members so that they will feel more comfortable with performing this evaluation next year.

Chautauqua: Terri Johnson mentioned that Chautauqua is coming to the CPLS area focusing on World War I with one in Hastings each month. Someone noted the tie in with *The Meaning of Names*, Karen Gettert Shoemaker's book chosen for the One Book One Nebraska this year.

NLC COMMISSION REPRESENTATIVE REPORT – RICHARD

Richard reminded everyone of the Big Talk from Small Libraries coming up February 26th. He noted the due date for the annual public library statistics (February 19th) and encouraged all libraries to send them in soon. A link was provided to the annual listing of state government publications ("*What's Up Doc?*"). He also brought up the January 28th due date for the Library Improvement Grants, told all to watch for the February 8th announcement of the Library Internship Grants, and listed five upcoming NCompass Live presentations. In particular among the latter is today's program on moving to Windows 10 which can be watched in archival form. He also noted a free webinar from the National Agricultural Library on February 16th and another from the National Library of Medicine on January 27th. He also mentioned the recent announcement of the 2016 ALA Youth Media Awards including the Newbery and Caldecott Medals. Finally he said that 22 Nebraska public libraries received \$30,000 in Youth Grants for Excellence awards.

ADJOURN MEETING

Prior to adjournment it was mentioned that the next CPLS Board meeting will take place in late April 2016 and will be a telephone conference call. President Jody Crocker adjourned the meeting at 12:02 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Richard Miller, Substitute Secretary



Central Plains Library System Leadership Award

The Leadership Award is offered annually by the Central Plains Library System to a deserving library employee. Nominations may focus on, but are not limited to, the following: customer service, innovative programs, technological development. A minimum of two supporting letters for the nominee shall accompany the nomination form.

Nominations and supporting documentation are due to the Central Plains Library System Office by June 15, 2016.

Name of Nominee: _____

Library: _____

Address: _____

Name of person making the nomination: _____

E-mail: _____

I am nominating this person because:

Additional pages may be attached as needed

Choose Privacy Week

May 1-7, 2016



The theme for the 2016 Choose Privacy Week is respecting individuals' privacy, with an emphasis on minors' privacy. Libraries across the country will be participating by hosting events and activities to raise awareness and engage library users on privacy issues.

Go to <https://chooseprivacyweek.org/for-libraries/> for a variety of tools and tips from the American Library Association that will make your efforts effective and inspiring.

New WWI Chautauqua Set for June

World War I will be the focus of a brand new Chautauqua presented by Humanities Nebraska this summer. "World War I: Legacies of a Forgotten War" will be hosted in Hastings, June 1-5 and in North Platte, June 8-12. Events include workshops, a youth camp, special programming for veterans, and evening tent presentations with scholars portraying historic figures and other entertainment. Local community libraries will host discussions of books that help illuminate this theme.



Attendees can expect visits from President Woodrow Wilson, Nebraska politician William Jennings Bryan, humanitarian Jane Addams, author Edith Wharton, and sociologist/activist W. E. B. Du Bois. The complete schedule of all speakers and events at the 2016 Chautauqua, as well as a reading list and more, is available at <http://humanitiesnebraska.org/program/chautauqua/>.

One Book One Nebraska Teen



She doesn't know who she is. She doesn't know where she is, or why. All she knows when she comes to in a ransacked cabin is that there are two men arguing over whether or not to kill her. And that she must run.

This is the riveting start of April Henry's nail-biting thriller involving murder, identity theft, and biological warfare. Central Plains Library System has 15 copies of the newest selection for the One Book One Nebraska Teen program. Call or email the Hastings Office to borrow this Book Club set.



2nd Annual CPLS Week of Weeding

The Central Plains Library System celebrated the **2nd Annual CPLS Week of Weeding** from February 1 through February 6. Due to the Blizzard of 2016, we extended the weeding

festivities through February 13. We had a record number of participants with 15 public and 15 school libraries. Together they weeded nearly 7,000 items!!

Some librarians completed major weeding projects, pulling 400+ items out of their collections. They reported that some of the weeded items “had never been checked out.” That happens, but it is difficult to take books off the shelf that look brand new. Some of the familiar titles that are no longer popular include the **Hardy Boys** mysteries, **Bobbsey Twins** books, **Lassie Come Home**, and **My Friend Flicka**. Other titles that were weeded had not been checked out for 20, 30, and even 40 years! Some things were weeded because of their format—mostly cassette tapes. A few items were so outdated, they caused even seasoned weeders to shake their heads in disbelief—**Prison Nurse**, by William Neubauer, copyright 1962, **Hooked on Phonics** from the 1980s, the **Sears & Roebuck catalog** from 1902, The **Amy Vanderbilt Complete Book of Etiquette**, and a really old book on baseball techniques. Most commented about how much better the collection looks without the old material. The main thing to remember about weeding is that it is a job that is never done. Spend a little time each week examining your collection to keep it looking good.

A random drawing was held on Monday, February 22, from all the participants. The winner of the Kindle Fire is **Erica Teel**, from Rock County Library in Bassett. Congratulations!



Celebrate National Library Week

April 10-16, 2016

First sponsored in 1958, National Library Week is a national observance sponsored by the American Library Association (ALA) and libraries across the country each April. It is a time to celebrate the contributions of our nation's libraries and librarians and to promote library use and support. All types of libraries - school, public, academic and special - participate.

<http://www.ala.org/conferenceevents/celebrationweeks/natlibraryweek>

Did You Miss the Summer Reading Workshop???

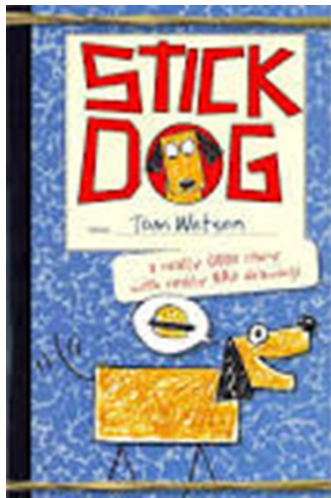
Three Rivers Library System recorded a webinar to give all Nebraska public library staff members the chance to get some Summer Reading Program ideas and earn continuing education credits. You will receive 2.5 credit hours by watching the webinar on You Tube. Please contact Linda Babcock at linda.babcock@nebraska.gov to submit your CE request after viewing.

Thank you to the Three Rivers Library System for sharing this webinar.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=zkJk3uBPHRo>



New CPLS Book Club Set



The Central Plains Library System purchased 10 copies of the title chosen for the One Book for Nebraska Kids, *Stick Dog* by Tom Watson.

Booklist Review:

Stick Dog (so named for his rudimentary depiction by narrator Tom, who claims an inability to draw) and his doggy friends—Poo Poo, Karen, Mutt, and Stripes—are strays living in a suburban park. One day they detect “a pleasant aroma” (grilling hamburgers) and decide to satisfy their hunger at whatever cost. The chase that follows involves distractions (a squirrel in a tree), misunderstandings about the family that is grilling, and a series of ludicrous attack plans that surprisingly result in a tasty conclusion...Grades 3-6.

--Kay Weisman



Cutting Machines

These handy machines cut out letters and shapes from paper, felt, cloth, thin cardboard, magnetic sheets, and foam. CPLS owns two Ellison machines—one Original and a Prestige Space Saver—plus one Mark IV Accu-Cut Machine, and dies (including a 2" alphabet/numbers and a 4" alphabet/numbers). System members may check the desired machine and/or dies out for a month at a time. See the reservation schedule online at: <http://libraries.ne.gov/cpls/die-shapes/>. Call the Hastings CPLS office to reserve this equipment for your library.

Cover One Book Repair Service!

The System has purchased a binding repair machine that fixes a variety of types and sizes of books. This machine easily binds up to a 2 ½" thick book and it has a sliding wall to hold smaller books in place. It will also work with legal size and well as regular 8 ½ x 11" size items. Repaired books will be ready to use in just 20 minutes! Go to <http://www.coverone.net> and click on the link for Book Repair Demo on the left-hand side of the page to see it in action.

This machine is perfect to repair books with glued bindings that have "popped" and split into several big chunks, paperbacks that have come out of their covers, and books where individual pages are coming loose.



Mail or bring your books to the Hastings System Office.

We will repair them for \$1 per book plus actual return postage.

Disc Cleaning and Repair

The System Office has the ECO AUTO-SMART Fully Automatic Disc Repair System. It is not just a buffer, but a full-service machine, to both clean and repair your valuable discs. Save those discs that won't play! As long as they are not cracked, we can fix them.

From July 1, 2015 thru June 30, 2016, each CPLS member library has 10 free disc cleanings.



- If you have more than 10 discs that need fixing, you may send them to us and we will repair them and send them back with an invoice for 50 cents per disc plus return postage.
- If you come to the CPLS Office in Hastings and pick up the repaired discs, the charge is 50 cents per disc. A similar service at a retail video outlet costs more than \$5.00 per disc!

Audiobook Collection

CPLS owns over **650 circulating audiobook titles**. System member libraries may borrow audiobooks (CD, MP3, and Playaway formats) for a loan period of 90 days.

New titles include:



A God in Ruins by Atkinson, Kate
The Dogs of Littlefield by Berne, Suzanne
The Readers of Broken Wheel Recommendation by Bivald, Katarina
The Killing Lessons by Black, Saul
Flyboys: A True Story of Courage by Bradley, James
Comanche by Brand, Max
Stagecoach by Brand, Max
The Steel Box by Brand, Max
Did You Ever Have A Family by Clegg, Bill
Between the World and Me by Coates, Ta-Nehisi
Cell by Cook, Robin
Unfaithful Music by Costello, Elvis
Never Enough: Donald Trump and the Pursuit of Success by D'Antonio, Michael
For all Time by Deveraux, Jude
Career of Evil by Galbraith, Robert
Find Her by Gardner, Lisa
Say Goodbye by Gardner, Lisa
Missing Pieces by Gudenkauf, Heather
Delicious Foods by Hannaham, James
Jade Dragon Mountain by Hart, Elsa
No Honor Among Thieves: An Ali Reynolds Novella by Jance, J. A.
Empire of Deception by Jobb, Dean
Be Frank with Me by Johnson, Julia Claiborne
Robert B. Parker's Blackjack by Knott, Robert
The Diamond of Jeru by L'Amour, Louis
Furiously Happy by Lawson, Jenny
Day Four by Lotz, Sarah
Devotion: An Epic Story of Heroism, Friendship and Sacrifice by Makos, Adam
Station Eleven by Mandel, Emily St. John
After You by Moyes, Jojo
Me Before You by Moyes, Jojo
No Graves as Yet: A Novel of World War One by Punke, Michael

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 ■ titles on our
 ■ website under
 ■ Services and
 ■ then call or email
 ■ the System
 ■ office to borrow
 ■ or reserve titles.
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Audiobook Collection - New Titles—continued

The Art of Deception by Roberts, Nora

Pretty Girls by Slaughter, Karin

My Name is Lucy Barton by Strout, Elizabeth Barton

The Knockoff by Sykes, Lucy

Dragonfish by Tran, Vu

13 Hours: The Inside account of What Really Happened in Benghazi by Zuckoff, Mitchell

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Helping Hand Award

The Helping Hand Award is offered annually by the Central Plains Library System to a deserving Trustee, Friend, volunteer or library supporter. Nominations may focus on, but are not limited to, the following: library promotion, library support, volunteer service. A minimum of two supporting letters for the nominee shall accompany the nomination form.

Nominations and supporting documentation are due to the Central Plains Library System office by June 15, 2016.

Name of Nominee: _____

E-mail: _____

Name of person making the nomination: _____

E-mail: _____

I am nominating this person because:

Additional pages may be attached as needed

CPLS Has Scholarship Money Available

Up to \$100.00 per event for registration, mileage, meal, etc.

Only one scholarship per person per year.

Each Library Agency shall be limited to two scholarships per year.

Name _____

Library _____

Event _____

Date of event _____

Scholarship requested for _____ (meal, room, etc.)

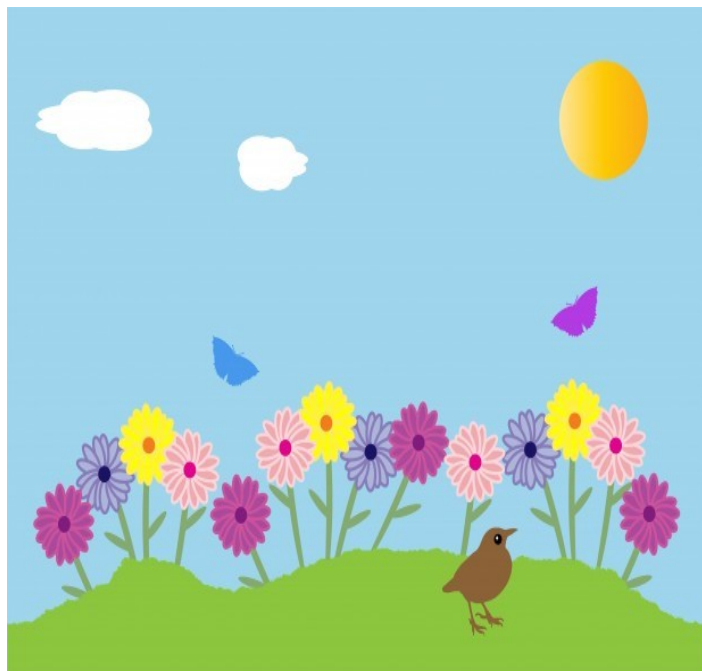
Amount requested _____

Other information: _____



Send your request to: Central Plains Library System
2727 W. 2nd Street # 233,
Hastings, NE 68901

April Showers bring May Flowers



Scholarship Report

The Summer Reading Workshop presented by Central Plains Library System provided a great opportunity for developing fun and unique ideas for our library's summer reading program. Sally Snyder did a wonderful job providing reviews of books relating to this year's theme: On Your Mark, Get Set, Read! Denise and Sharon had fun games for the group to try and Jody Crocker entertained with a number of crafts. The day was filled with fun and provided a great opportunity to network with other librarians.



—Elizabeth Williams,
Library Director,
Franklin Public Library

\$31,600 in Internship Grants Awarded to Nebraska Public Libraries

The Nebraska Library Commission recently awarded Nebraska Library Internship Grants totaling \$31,600 to twenty-six Nebraska public libraries. These internship grants will support public library interns, who will contribute to the scope and value of the diverse programs and activities in Nebraska's public libraries. Funding for the project is supported in part by the Institute of Museum and Library Services (IMLS) under the provisions of the Library Services and Technology Act as administered by the Nebraska Library Commission, in partnership with the Nebraska Library Systems.

"The internships are a great opportunity for students to get involved in library work. Beyond earning money and gaining valuable work experience, the student is exposed to the broad range of library services and programming. Internships provide an opportunity for the student to view the library as a viable and satisfying career choice. In addition, interns bring a fresh perspective and their own unique talents to the library" said Nebraska Library Commission Director Rod Wagner.

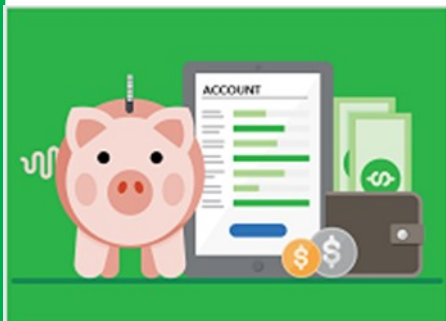
The following Central Plains Public Library System's public libraries were awarded internship grant funding:

- Atkinson Public Library
- Bassett, Rock County Public Library
- Cozad, Wilson Public Library
- Ord Township Library
- Orleans, Cordelia B. Preston Memorial Library
- Red Cloud, Auld Public Library



Money Smart Week

April 23-30, 2016



There is still time for your library to sign-up and join the 1,000 other libraries across the country that will be providing financial education programming during [Money Smart Week](#).

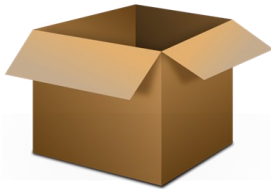
Money Smart Week is a partnership between ALA, the Federal Reserve Bank of Chicago, and other national partners such as the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau, and hundreds of libraries, big and small, of all types.

To participate, your library only needs to provide one program during the week. There are lots of easy programs to create, such as money focused story times, creating a display of financial resources your library has, or you can participate in some of the national activities. Check [Pinterest](#) for ideas for display about finances.

And thanks to the [Consumer Financial Protection Bureau](#) you can order, for free, posters-bookmarks-fliers and other materials to help you promote. You can also order great resources about Budgeting, Borrowing, Saving, and more (in both English and Spanish) to provide during **Money Smart Week**.

CPLS News

New Service at Hastings Public Library



The Hastings Public Library building is closed to undergo a complete renovation, but that doesn't mean that service stops. The library has moved to the temporary quarters inside the Hastings Museum. The **new service** will use volunteers and Friends of the Library to deliver library material to homebound and physically challenged patrons that will have a difficult time getting in to the Museum. The intent is that this service will continue even after the library reopens in its original location and will serve the city of Hastings and, eventually, Adams County. Hastings Public Library already has patrons who check out books for their parents. This service would bridge the gap when caretakers are unavailable. A lot like Meals on Wheels, except with books.



Library Improvement Grants Announced for 2016

Library Development Director Richard Miller announced that 14 Nebraska libraries — 13 public libraries, and one state-run institutional library — would be receiving Library Improvement Grants this year. These grants are funded with federal Library Services and Technology Act (LSTA) funds made available through the Institute of Museum and Library and Services and administered by the Nebraska Library Commission.

Here are the CPLS libraries, brief descriptions of their projects, and grant amounts. For those libraries receiving grants for AWE Work Stations, the amounts of those grants are pending, to be determined following discussions with the company which sells these work stations

Axtell Public Library — Outdoor Movie Night — \$2,013

Beaver City Public Library — AWE Work Station — TBD

Blue Hill Public Library — Central Nebraska Digital Consortium membership; and iPod Touch units — \$636

Franklin Public Library — 2 computers; Pioneer Consortium membership preparation — \$4,587

McCook Public Library — Join Pioneer Consortium — \$8,657



Spring Meetings 2016!

- Tuesday, April 26 - Alliance Public Library
- Wednesday, April 27 - Kearney Public Library
- Thursday, April 28 - Ashland Public Library
- 9:30am registration 10:00am-3:30pm



The Social Librarian: Creating an Engaging & Powerful Social Media Presence

Presenter: marketing expert Ali Schwanke, whose social media session at the 2015 Nebraska Library Association Annual Conference was standing room only and received rave reviews.

This session will provide you with the plan you need to craft a strong and creative social media presence, along with the ideas, resources (many of them are free!) and software to efficiently bring it to life. We'll audit real-life social media accounts and identify strategies for improvement. If you'd like to have your social media reviewed as part of the training, please contact Ali at ali@alischwanke.com.

Breakout Sessions:



- BookTalking with Ease
presented by Pat Leach,
PLTS chair and library director,
Lincoln City Libraries



- Guerrilla Storytime
- Welcome: Commander's Palace
Culture at Your Library
Presented by Rebecca McCorkindale,
SCYP chair & assistant library director,
Gretna Public Library



- Presenting Your Best Self
When Networking & Public Speaking
presented by Ali Schwanke

- \$30 per person
- Register online before April 22:
nebraskalibraries.org/event/2016PLTSSCYPSPRING
(payments made either online or by check)
- Lunch on your own

Questions? Contact Pat at p.leach@lincolnl libraries.org or Rebecca at gpl.asstdirector@gmail.com.

Presented by both the Public Library & Trustee, and the School, Children's, & Young People's Sections of the Nebraska Library Association with support from the Nebraska Regional Library Systems.

Central Plains Library System

Mark Your Calendar

- April 5-9 Public Library Association Conference, Denver
 April 10-16 National Library Week , “Libraries Transform” (see page 7)
 April 15 Deadline to vote for Golden Sower Award (see page 2)
 April 18 CPLS Board Meeting, Conference Call, 4:00 p.m.
 April 23-30 Money Smart Week (see page 13)
 April 25-May 6 ... Basic Skills, Readers Advisory (taught by Sharon)
 April 27 PLTS Spring Meeting, Kearney (see page 15)
 May 1-7 Choose Privacy Week (see page 6)
 May 2-8 Children’s Book Week <http://www.bookweekonline.com/about>
 May 9-20 Basic Skills, Intellectual Freedom and the Core Values of Librarianship
 May 13 Meeting of the Nebraska Library Commissioners, Lincoln
 May 18 Systems’ Quarterly Meeting with the NLC, Lexington Public Library
 May 23-June 3 .. Basic Skills, Library Finance
 May 30 CPLS Offices Closed, Memorial Day
 June 1-5 “World War I: Legacies of a Forgotten War” Chautauqua, Hastings (see page 6)
 June 2-4 Willa Cather Spring Conference: “Both Bitter and Sweet: Cather, Literature, and the Great War” Contact 866-731-7304, www.willacather.org, Red Cloud
 June 6-17 Basic Skills, Reference
 June 8-12 “World War I: Legacies of a Forgotten War” Chautauqua, North Platte (pg. 6)
 June 15 Deadline to Nominate Library Employee for System Leadership Award (pg. 5)
 June 15 Deadline to Nominate Library Volunteer for System Helping Hand Award (pg. 11)

The library lets you
borrow the beauty
and keep the
knowledge.

~Author Unknown



We're On the Web

libraries.ne.gov/cpls